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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT: International Cooperation on Space Station  
REFERENCES: A. 25 February memo from McFarlane, same subject  
B. DDCI Memo 9 February, same subject

1. As you requested, we have worked with DDI/TTAC to prepare a short memo to Jim Beggs summarizing our technology transfer concerns on the space station. We recommend your signature. ☐

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2. Ambassador McFarlane recently signed out the TOR to Beggs (see Reference A). The intent of your comments (Reference B) was accepted. However, the 2 April due date for the report is alarming because Beggs will not return with the foreign proposals until mid-March. The impression we get from this tight deadline is that the interagency effort might be perfunctory.

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E. A. Burkhalter, Jr.  
Vice Admiral, USN

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The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505

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8 MAR 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration

SUBJECT: International Cooperation on Space Station

REFERENCE: 30 November 1983 memo re Soviet Requirements for NASA-Related Technology and Developments

1. I understand that you are preparing to leave shortly on an extensive trip to several European countries for discussions of international cooperation on the Space Station. As we discussed in the briefing to you late last year, one of our major concerns continues to be the large Soviet program targeted against the US and other Western technology, including space station developments, for shortening their R&D time and getting advanced technology for their military programs. Subsequently, at your request, we briefed senior members of your staff, and I was told that the briefing stimulated a lively discussion on approaches that might be used to minimize technology losses. In your discussions with the Europeans, please be aware that we have been briefing many of their defense, economic, and intelligence officials on the Soviet technology acquisition program and Soviet needs for space and other technology. We believe several European nations, like ourselves, are aware that new Western space efforts and technologies will be targeted by the Soviets. [ ]

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2. We are continuing to examine the technology loss issue, and are preparing for the interagency effort to support the President's decisions on international cooperation on the Space Station. In the interim, we thought it would be helpful to summarize for you the areas of space technology losses that are of most concern to us at this time. These areas, described in the attachment, are similar to those sent to you last year and are based on the national estimates on Soviet R&D and the Soviet space program, and other intelligence information available to us on Soviet collection priorities in the area of space technology. [ ]

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3. We know that the purpose of your trip is to receive proposals from potential partners in the space station program and that no US commitments will be made at this time. We hope that the attached list will be useful background information. We look forward to working with you and your staff after you return. [ ]

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/S/ John N. McMahon

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